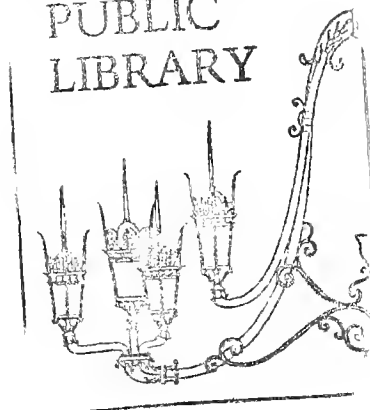


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BOSTON.

FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Board of Police Commissioners,

MAY 1, 1883.

POLICE COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE,  
7 PEMBERTON SQUARE, May 1, 1883.

*To the Honorable the City Council:—*

In accordance with the provisions of the ordinance in relation to the Police Department, the Board of Police Commissioners have the honor to submit the following report of the doings of the department for the year ending April 30, 1883:—

Number of members of the department allowed by law, exclusive of clerks employed on licenses	779
Whole number of such members on duty, May 1, 1883	759
Number of officers discharged during the year	19
Number of officers resigned during the year,	11
died	9
retired on pension	10
	49
	710

Number of officers appointed during the year	68
Number clerks employed on licenses	3
Number of officers promoted to the rank of Captain during the year	0
Number of officers promoted to the rank of Lieutenant during the year	0
Number of officers promoted to the rank of Sergeant during the year	0
Whole number of officers promoted during the year	0
Whole number of officers reduced in rank during the year	0

On May 1, 1883, there were 779 members of the department on duty, as follows:—

At City Hall	36
-1 Superintendent of Police.	
-1 Deputy Superintendent of Police.	
-1 Chief Inspector.	
-6 Inspectors of Police.	
1 Inspector of Hackney-Carriage Licenses.	
1 Inspector of Wagon Licenses.	
1 Inspector of Pawnbrokers.	
1 Inspector of Claims.	
1 Probation Officer, to attend cases in court.	
2 Lieutenants.	
-1 Clerk to Superintendent.	
-1 Sergeant (Property Clerk).	
-1 Sergeant, to collect evidence for Medical Examiners.	
-1 Sergeant on special duty, street railway service.	
-1 Sergeant on messenger service.	
-1 Sergeant on special duty, at various Police Divisions.	
-1 Assistant to Inspectors of Carriage and Wagon Licenses.	
-1 Assistant to Inspector of Pawnbrokers.	
1 Patrolman on special duty at Superintendent's office.	
6 Patrolmen in Inspectors' office.	
5 House Watchmen.	
At City Prison	4
1 Keeper of city lock-ups.	
2 Assistant Keepers of city lock-ups.	
1 Steward of city lock-ups.	
At School Committee rooms	1
1 House Watchman.	
At Public Library	1
1 House Watchman.	

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At Probate Office . . . . .	3
2 House Watchmen.	2
At Liquor Storehouse . . . . .	1
1 House Watchman, in charge of seized liquors.	1
At Commissioners' office . . . . .	1
1 Patrolman on messenger service.	

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At Police Divisions, as follows : —

Number of Divisions.	Captains.	Lieutenants.	Sergeants.	Patrolmen.	Total.
1. . . . .	1	2	3	53	59
2. . . . .	1	2	3	68	74
3. . . . .	1	2	3	49	55
4. . . . .	1	2	3	74	80
5. . . . .	1	2	3	61	67
6. . . . .	1	2	3	51	57
7. . . . .	1	2	3	33	39
8. . . . .	1	3	4	25	33
9. . . . .	1	1	3	38	43
10. . . . .	1	2	3	42	48
11. . . . .	1	2	3	26	32
12. . . . .	1	2	3	35	41
13. . . . .	1	2	3	29	35
14. . . . .	1	2	3	18	24
15. . . . .	1	2	3	40	46
Commissioners' office . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals . . . . .	15	30	46	642	733
Officers of rank on special service at Superintendent's office and elsewhere . . . . .					46
Total . . . . .					779

Special officers appointed . . . . .	57
"Department" Police Officers (in the employ of the city in different departments) appointed . . . . .	2
Railroad Police Officers appointed . . . . .	61

*Statement of the Expenditures of the Department (exclusive of liquor licenses), during the Year ending April 30, 1883.*

For pay of officers . . . . .	\$813,135 46
fuel and gas for stations and City Prison, . . . . .	12,081 40
water and ice for " " . . . . .	1,683 01
furniture and bedding for stations and City Prison . . . . .	3,813 22
badges, buttons, wreaths, clubs, and belts, etc., etc. . . . .	1,476 79
printing and stationery, postage and telegraphing . . . . .	3,228 19
care and cleaning of stations and City Prison . . . . .	8,767 28
repairs of stations and City Prison . . . . .	1,751 93
supplies and repairs of police steamer . . . . .	4,981 38
care and repairs of police telegraph, lines and apparatus . . . . .	1,665 85
keeping of 19 police horses, repairs of equipments and vehicles . . . . .	8,048 29
purchase of — horses . . . . .	1,275 00
flags and flag-staffs, ropes and stakes, etc., etc. . . . .	434 82
carting prisoners from stations to courts, feeding prisoners . . . . .	3,972 65
medical attendance on sick and injured persons . . . . .	1,160 40
horse and carriage hire . . . . .	1,899 59
pursuit and detection of criminals . . . . .	230 13
cloth for uniforms . . . . .	1,729 29
pensions of retired officers . . . . .	7,925 85
	21,268 27
Total . . . . .	<u>\$900,562 79</u>

*Expenditures by months —*

May, 1882 . . . . .	\$72,411 76
June, " . . . . .	72,018 50
July, " . . . . .	74,415 48
August, " . . . . .	76,825 31
September, " . . . . .	75,153 90
October, " . . . . .	74,303 08
November, " . . . . .	79,115 72
December, " . . . . .	73,473 64
January, 1883 . . . . .	76,097 62
February, " . . . . .	78,056 44



March, 1883	72,049 53
April, " . . . . .	76,641 81
Total . . . . .	<u>\$900,562 79</u>

There has been earned and collected by the department during the year the sum of \$31,389.84, which has been turned into the City Treasury, and credited as follows:—

To Police Department—

For all licenses (except for sale of liquor) . . .	\$8,913 60
sale of unclaimed property, old junk, etc. . .	340 59
extra services of officers .	10,020 65
	<u>\$19,274 80</u>

To School Department—

For dog licenses issued . . . . .	12,115 00
	<u>\$31,389 84</u>

POLICE WORK DURING THE YEAR.

The following statements show the work performed by the Police Department during the year ending April 30, 1883:—

Number of arrests on warrants . . . . .	4,676
Number of arrests without warrants . . . . .	26,001
Number held for trial . . . . .	26,107
Number discharged on examination . . . . .	4,570
Number of males . . . . .	25,161
Number of females . . . . .	5,516
Number of foreigners . . . . .	15,917
Number of non-residents . . . . .	8,845
Number of minors . . . . .	4,538

*Arrests by Police Divisions.*

Division.	Males.	Females.	Total.
First . . . . .	5,609	1,714	7,323
Second . . . . .	1,085	133	1,218
Third . . . . .	3,511	1,159	4,670
Fourth . . . . .	3,804	760	4,564
Fifth . . . . .	1,916	500	2,416
Sixth . . . . .	1,695	259	1,954
Seventh . . . . .	996	107	1,103

Eighth . . . . .	1,110	149	1,259
Ninth . . . . .	975	147	1,122
Tenth . . . . .	1,213	184	1,397
Eleventh . . . . .	543	39	582
Twelfth . . . . .	449	60	509
Thirteenth . . . . .	229	17	246
Fourteenth . . . . .	302	30	332
Fifteenth . . . . .	1,312	174	1,486
Supt. office (Inspectors)	388	103	496
Total . . . . .	25,137	5,540	30,677

*Complaints on which Arrests were made.*

Accessory to larceny . . . . .	3
Accessory to manslaughter . . . . .	2
Adultery . . . . .	40
Advertising a lottery . . . . .	1
Aiding seamen to desert . . . . .	3
Arson . . . . .	2
Abandoning child . . . . .	3
Assault and battery . . . . .	2,309
Assault, felonious . . . . .	181
Assault, indecent . . . . .	12
Assault on officer . . . . .	35
Assuming to be an officer . . . . .	3
Attempt to break and enter a building . . . . .	11
Attempt to break and enter R.R. car . . . . .	5
Attempt to extort money . . . . .	1
Attempt to commit larceny . . . . .	18
Attempt to murder . . . . .	1
Attempt to commit rape . . . . .	6
Attempt to pick pocket . . . . .	9
Attempt to defraud . . . . .	1
Attempt to rescue prisoner . . . . .	30
Attempt to commit suicide . . . . .	1
Attempt to kidnap child . . . . .	2
Attempt to pass counterfeit money . . . . .	1
Attempt to pass forged check . . . . .	1
Attempt to rob . . . . .	11
Attempt to pass worthless check . . . . .	5
Bestardy . . . . .	9
Being present at game . . . . .	12
Being present at prize fight . . . . .	4
Breaking and entering . . . . .	55
Bigamy . . . . .	2
Burglary . . . . .	3
Carrying concealed weapons . . . . .	8

Common beggars . . . . .	8
Common brawlers . . . . .	17
Common drunkards . . . . .	169
Conspiracy to defraud . . . . .	3
Contempt of court . . . . .	17
Concealing leased property . . . . .	4
Cruelty to animals . . . . .	28
Criminal libel . . . . .	1
Default warrant . . . . .	93
Defrauding an innholder . . . . .	3
Delirium tremens . . . . .	10
Deserters . . . . .	60
Disorderly . . . . .	634
Disturbing peace . . . . .	222
Disturbing public school . . . . .	8
Drunkenness . . . . .	18,466
Disturbing public meeting . . . . .	36
Embezzlement . . . . .	127
Escaped convicts . . . . .	10
Evading car-fare . . . . .	27
Evading carriage-fare . . . . .	17
Fast-driving . . . . .	22
Forgery . . . . .	26
Fornication . . . . .	70
Fraud . . . . .	82
Fugitive from justice . . . . .	1
Gambling . . . . .	31
Gaming on Lord's Day . . . . .	51
Having burglar's tools . . . . .	1
House-breaking . . . . .	72
Idle and disorderly . . . . .	137
Incendiary . . . . .	5
Indecent exposure . . . . .	21
Insane . . . . .	300
Keeping houses of ill-fame . . . . .	63
Keeping hotel without a license . . . . .	1
Keeping gambling-house . . . . .	1
Keeping noisy and disorderly houses . . . . .	18
Keeping a lottery . . . . .	6
Keeping a liquor nuisance . . . . .	3
Larceny . . . . .	1,742
Larceny, felonious . . . . .	379
Lewd and lascivious . . . . .	39
Letting house for unlawful purpose . . . . .	1
Mayhem . . . . .	3
Malicious mischief . . . . .	326
Malicious trespass . . . . .	17

Manslaughter . . . . .	8
Murder . . . . .	10
Mutiny . . . . .	3
Night-walking . . . . .	178
Neglected children . . . . .	25
Non-payment of taxes . . . . .	1
Peddling . . . . .	4
Perjury . . . . .	2
Passing counterfeit money . . . . .	13
Passing forged check . . . . .	1
Profanity . . . . .	10
Picking pockets . . . . .	5
Obstructing horse-railroad . . . . .	5
Obstructing an officer . . . . .	2
Polygamy . . . . .	5
Prize-fighting . . . . .	1
Promoting a dog-fight . . . . .	2
Rape . . . . .	6
Receiving stolen goods . . . . .	40
Refusing duty as seaman . . . . .	1
Resisting an officer . . . . .	2
Robbery . . . . .	100
Refusing to assist an officer . . . . .	3
Refusing to support family . . . . .	16
Runaways . . . . .	145
Rescuing prisoners . . . . .	9
Selling leased goods . . . . .	3
Selling mortgaged goods . . . . .	1
Selling obscene books . . . . .	1
Shop-breaking . . . . .	239
Stealing ride . . . . .	33
Stubborn children . . . . .	95
Suspicion larceny . . . . .	313
Suspicion of breaking and entering . . . . .	3
Suspicious persons . . . . .	1,413
Suspicion of robbery . . . . .	1
Suspicion of murder . . . . .	3
Setting fire to dwelling . . . . .	1
Subornation of perjury . . . . .	2
Smuggling . . . . .	2
Unlawfully taking clams from Thompson's Island . . . . .	3
Threats . . . . .	73
Truants . . . . .	64
Tramps . . . . .	3
Vagrancy . . . . .	179
Violation city ordinance . . . . .	696
Violation dog law . . . . .	9

Violation liquor law . . . . .	295
Violation harbor regulations . . . . .	1
Violation health law . . . . .	3
Violation railroad law . . . . .	30
Violation Sunday law . . . . .	52
Violation Lord's Day . . . . .	4
Violation U.S. postal law . . . . .	1
Violation screen law . . . . .	1
Witnesses . . . . .	387
Warrant of indictment . . . . .	1
Total . . . . .	<u>30,677</u>

*Arrests Classified.*

Offences against the person . . . . .	22,573
Offences against property . . . . .	3,311
Offences which cannot properly be classified under either of those heads . . . . .	4,793
Total . . . . .	<u>30,677</u>

*Nativity of Prisoners.*

United States . . . . .	14,435
Canada . . . . .	2,180
Ireland . . . . .	11,010
England . . . . .	1,314
France . . . . .	135
Germany . . . . .	384
Italy . . . . .	117
Portugal . . . . .	24
Sweden . . . . .	221
Scotland . . . . .	503
Spain . . . . .	19
Norway . . . . .	60
Switzerland . . . . .	5
Africa . . . . .	7
Denmark . . . . .	31
Wales . . . . .	15
Belgium . . . . .	7
Holland . . . . .	10
Russia . . . . .	104
Poland . . . . .	27
Greece . . . . .	1
Australia . . . . .	1
Arabia . . . . .	2
China . . . . .	29

West Indies . . . . .	32
South America . . . . .	2
Austria . . . . .	1
Turkey . . . . .	1
Total . . . . .	<u>30,677</u>

## MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Accidents reported . . . . .	1,502
Buildings found open and secured . . . . .	2,478
Dangerous buildings reported . . . . .	22
Dangerous chimneys . . . . .	19
Dead bodies found . . . . .	119
Defective cesspools reported . . . . .	100
Defective drains and vaults reported . . . . .	173
Defective fire-alarms and clocks reported . . . . .	16
Defective gas-pipes reported . . . . .	51
Defective hydrants reported . . . . .	28
Defective lamps reported . . . . .	2,522
Defective streets and sidewalks reported . . . . .	9,514
Defective water-pipes reported . . . . .	125
Disturbances suppressed . . . . .	3,715
Extra duties done by officers . . . . .	13,457
Fire-alarms given . . . . .	424
Fires extinguished without alarm . . . . .	515
Foundlings . . . . .	36
Intoxicated persons assisted home . . . . .	939
Lost children restored . . . . .	1,499
Rescued from drowning . . . . .	36
Sick and injured persons assisted . . . . .	874
Ambulance . . . . .	509
Stray teams put up . . . . .	285
Street obstructions removed . . . . .	31,813
Water running to waste reported . . . . .	310
Amount of property taken from prisoners and lodgers and restored to them . . . . .	\$57,097 25
Amount of property reported stolen in the city, . . . . .	\$125,809 08
Amount of property recovered, which was stolen in and out of the city . . . . .	\$128,198 96
Amount of fines imposed by the courts . . . . .	\$6,888 81
Amount of imprisonment by the same . . . . .	1,600 yrs. 9 mos.
Number of days' attendance in court by officers, . . . . .	20,690
Amount of witness fees earned by them . . . . .	\$20,497 00
Amount received for dog licenses issued . . . . .	\$12,115 00

*Hackney-Carriage Licenses.*

Whole number of licenses granted during the year,	970
"    "    transferred from one party or from one location to another . . .	29
Whole number of licenses refused . . .	13
"    "    cancelled . . .	16
Whole number of applications received, investigated, and reported upon by the Inspector having charge of this department . . .	1,028
Total amount of fees collected by him . . .	\$970 00

## Estimated value of property under charge of Inspector of Carriages:—

11 flagstaffs @ \$400 . . .	\$4,400 00
6 " @ \$150 . . .	900 00
13 flags . . .	420 00
1 police tent . . .	150 00
130 wooden stakes . . .	65 00
12 iron " . . .	24 00
13 " chains . . .	65 00
2 top malls . . .	6 00
3 sledge-hammers . . .	6 00
1,000 fathoms loose rope . . .	100 00
3 old flags . . .	6 00
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	\$6,142 00

*Wagon Licenses.*

Whole number of licenses granted during the year,	3,638
"    "    transferred from one party or from one location to another . . .	5
Whole number of licenses cancelled . . .	40
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Whole number of applications received, investigated, and reported upon by the Inspector having charge of this department . . .	3,683
Total amount of fees collected by him . . .	\$3,638 00
Number of complaints investigated . . .	246

*Pawnbroker's, Second-hand Dealer's, and Auctioneer's Licenses.*

Number of licenses issued by the Police Commissioners between May 1, 1882, and May 1, 1883:—

Pawnbroker's licenses . . .	69
Second-hand articles licenses . . .	220

Second-hand junk licenses . . . . .	346
Second-hand clothing licenses . . . . .	86
Auctioneer's licenses . . . . .	110
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Making the total number of licenses of these classes issued during the year . . . . .	831
Total number of applications received, investigated, and reported upon by the Inspector having charge of this department . . . . .	853
Total amount of fees collected by him . . . . .	\$2,148 00
Number of complaints against licensed places investigated by him . . . . .	456
Amount of stolen property recovered by him . . . . .	\$9,763 00

*Intelligence Office, Billiard, and Bowling Licenses.*

The number of licenses issued by the Police Commissioners between May 1, 1882, and May 1, 1883, is as follows:—

Intelligence office licenses granted . . . . .	83
“ “ “ transferred . . . . .	12
“ “ “ refused . . . . .	1
“ “ “ cancelled . . . . .	2
Billiard, pool, and sippio-table, and bowling-alley licenses granted . . . . .	730
Whole number of licenses of these classes issued during the year . . . . .	813
Total number of applications received, investigated, and reported upon by the Inspector having charge of this department . . . . .	
Amount received for amusement and exhibition licenses . . . . .	\$496 00
Not previously accounted for . . . . .	\$151 00
Total amount of fees collected by him . . . . .	\$2,308 20
Amount received, 38 record books furnished by the city to Intelligence Office licensees . . . . .	\$35 20
Number of complaints against Intelligence Offices investigated by the inspector during the year . . . . .	75
Number of applications for amusement and exhibition licenses investigated and reported on . . . . .	496
Number of applications for fish peddler's permits and grease collector's permits reported on by Police and referred to the Board of Health . . . . .	120



*Statement of Issue and Expenses of Soup for the Poor, 1882.*  
*— Time of Delivery, January 3 to March 15 inclusive,*  
*72 days.*

Gallons made . . . . .	12,482
Families fed . . . . .	17,101
Meals issued to families . . . . .	77,533
“ “ individuals . . . . .	0
Total amount expended . . . . .	\$2,399 82
Balance unexpended . . . . .	100 18
Total appropriation . . . . .	<u>\$2,500 00</u>
Average cost per gallon . . . . .	19.3
“ “ meal . . . . .	3.1

LODGERS.

Number lodged at station-houses . . . . .	2,301
Number sent from stations to Hawkins-street Lodge, . . . . .	15,451
Males . . . . .	17,530
Females . . . . .	222
Americans . . . . .	8,150
Foreigners . . . . .	9,602
Non-residents . . . . .	16,445
Minors . . . . .	2,182

*Nativity of Lodgers.*

United States . . . . .	8,153
Canada . . . . .	1,435
Ireland . . . . .	4,839
England . . . . .	2,107
France . . . . .	46
Germany . . . . .	317
Italy . . . . .	34
Portugal . . . . .	13
Sweden . . . . .	181
Scotland . . . . .	420
Spain . . . . .	11
Norway . . . . .	17
Switzerland . . . . .	5
Africa . . . . .	16
Denmark . . . . .	23
Wales . . . . .	24
Belgium . . . . .	8
Russia . . . . .	27
Poland . . . . .	4

West Indies . . . . .	3
Holland . . . . .	25
South America . . . . .	7
Turkey . . . . .	1
Greece . . . . .	4
Hungary . . . . .	1
China . . . . .	1
Total . . . . .	<hr/> 17,722

### PROBATION OFFICER.

Capt. Edward H. Savage has performed the duties of probation officer during the year in his usual very satisfactory manner, and reports the work done by him as follows:—

Number of persons remaining in care January 1, 1882 . . . . .	154
Number placed on probation during the year . . . . .	608
Total . . . . .	<hr/> 762
Number of cases disposed of during the year . . . . .	540
“ “ remaining in care December 31, 1881 . . . . .	213
Number of probation persons who ran away to escape surrender . . . . .	9
Total . . . . .	<hr/> 762
Number of persons that have done well and been discharged by court . . . . .	348
Number of persons sent to their homes in the country . . . . .	89
Number of persons sent to sea . . . . .	7
Number of persons sent to charity homes . . . . .	41
Improved more or less . . . . .	<hr/> 478
Number proved incorrigible and surrendered . . . . .	51
“ left the city, whereabouts unknown . . . . .	9
Lost . . . . .	<hr/> 60
Number of times in attendance at the Superior Court . . . . .	145
Number of times in attendance at the Central Municipal Court . . . . .	295
Number of times in attendance at the outer District Courts . . . . .	48

Number of visits made to the city prison . . .	358
“ “ to the homes of persons in care . . .	941
“ “ at office by persons in care . . .	948
Amount of bail furnished . . .	\$48,850 00
Expenses in sending persons to their homes . . .	\$37 15

## DOG LICENSES.

Statement of dog licenses issued at the several Police Stations during the year ending April 30, 1883:—

Division.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Amount received.
1. . . . .	116	21	137	\$337
2. . . . .	65	14	79	200
3. . . . .	274	44	318	768
4. . . . .	351	56	407	982
5. . . . .	371	52	423	1,067
6. . . . .	204	33	237	573
7. . . . .	276	42	318	762
8. . . . .	12	1	13	29
9. . . . .	442	56	498	1,164
10. . . . .	528	57	585	1,341
11. . . . .	600	62	662	1,510
12. . . . .	241	36	277	662
13. . . . .	497	48	545	1,234
14. . . . .	246	25	270	615
15. . . . .	333	42	375	876
Total . . . . .	4,555	602	5,157	\$12,120
Less worthless money . . . . .				5
				\$12,115

## HARBOR POLICE.

The statistics below show the work done by the Harbor Police during the past year. The steamer "Protector" has been constantly employed doing its own and the work of other departments, when for any reason the boats belonging to them have not been in use. The work of the Harbor Police increases from year to year as the city increases in size, and in the amount of business done within its limits. The development of the various railroad properties along the water

front, involving a corresponding development of the shipping interest, and the constantly growing tide of summer travel to and from the various seashore resorts, require careful supervision on the part of the police to insure public safety and good order. The Harbor Police has performed its various duties most satisfactorily and with hardly a complaint against it for any cause whatever.

The special duties performed by the Harbor Police during the year, as reported by Captain Goold, are as follows: —

Value of property, consisting of float-stages, boats, rigging, etc., recovered . . . . .	\$3,188 12
Number of vessels boarded, from foreign parts, . . . . .	1,601
Number of vessels ordered from the channel to the proper anchorage . . . . .	2,039
Number of vessels moved from channel with steamer . . . . .	28
Alarms of fire attended on water-front . . . . .	83
Fires extinguished on board vessels (no alarm) . . . . .	2
Boats challenged . . . . .	1,372
Sick and injured persons assisted . . . . .	43
Cases investigated . . . . .	300
Dead bodies recovered . . . . .	13
Rescued from drowning . . . . .	37
Vessels ordered to cockbill yards . . . . .	279
Vessels reported to City Physician . . . . .	173
Number of arrivals from foreign ports during the year: —	
Steamers . . . . .	495
Ships . . . . .	27
Barks . . . . .	296
Brigs . . . . .	299
Schooners . . . . .	484
Number of arrivals from domestic ports, vessels of all kinds . . . . .	
From the British Provinces . . . . .	1,175
Total foreign and domestic ports . . . . .	10,554

The following table gives the statistics of crime in this city during the past twelve years, — 1870-1882, inclusive: —

## COMPARATIVE STATISTICS OF CRIME FOR ELEVEN YEARS, 1871-1882, INCLUSIVE.

Year.	Estimated Population.	Arrests.	Females.	Minors.	Non-residents.	Assaults.	Larcenies.	DRUNK AND DISORDERLY.			Night walk.	Violation City Ordinances.	House break- ing.	Hobbery.	Burglary.	Arson.	Murder.	Property stolen.	Property recovered.	Fines Imposed.	Years' Imprisonment.
								Arrested.	Helped Home.												
1871 . . . .	265,000	25,201	6,073	4,241	5,608	1,800	1,372	18,089	1,918	105	51	81	68	11	1	8	4,020 1/8	\$71,151	\$99,570	1,731	
1872 . . . .	285,000	27,002	6,783	6,320	6,774	2,010	1,638	16,612	1,778	173	371	40	45	12	5	10	63,801	70,014	69,716	1,402	
1873 . . . .	300,000	27,816	6,077	6,226	6,140	2,260	1,014	10,810	1,022	129	4	27	50	11	6	12	78,225	68,220	70,012	1,733	
1874 . . . .	337,000	29,709	6,056	6,061	6,422	2,612	2,007	18,000	1,234	127	51	71	04	22	10	10	78,185	80,150	73,559	2,136	
1875 . . . .	342,000	30,446	6,057	6,382	5,532	2,657	2,120	16,615	792	317	51	47	71	13	0	15	63,280	100,824	102,000	2,118	
1876 . . . .	350,000	30,041	5,810	6,417	5,100	2,657	2,250	15,007	681	322	45	107	68	23	2	14	57,003	57,004	153,801	2,008	
1877 . . . .	305,000	26,083	6,020	4,015	5,100	2,481	2,347	14,373	726	200	204	90	60	10	0	0	70,010	58,308	80,007	2,001	
1878 . . . .	376,000	26,817	5,280	4,572	4,700	2,320	2,078	13,070	887	205	434	82	48	11	7	8	65,072	88,505	80,001	1,830	
1879 . . . .	385,000	24,507	4,068	3,783	5,850	2,012	1,782	14,207	1,264	184	610	62	49	10	2	6	63,962	67,659	63,757	1,550	
1880 . . . .	302,000	27,690	6,300	4,196	7,121	2,401	1,062	17,329	1,377	147	698	32	48	10	3	3	68,163	70,017	67,222	1,821	
1881 . . . .	365,000	30,777	6,445	4,730	8,419	2,648	2,040	19,360	1,157	138	712	79	69	16	3	11	137,763	108,833	67,983	1,977	
1882 . . . .	378,000	20,577	5,563	4,538	8,545	2,537	2,121	18,456	939	173	696	72	100	3	..	10	125,899	128,198	68,888	1,650	

## INSPECTORS.

The work of this department will be found to compare favorably with that done in previous years. The Board recommends, however, a change in the ordinance, by which, instead of the present organization, the force of the office shall consist of one Chief Inspector and nine Inspectors.

The report of Captain Ham, Chief Inspector, for the year, is as follows : —

No. of persons arrested, principally for felonies,	467
Fugitives from justice from other States arrested and delivered to officers from those States . . . . .	12
Criminals from other States arrested on Governor's requisition . . . . .	7
No. of cases investigated . . . . .	1,131
No. of days spent in court by Officers . . . . .	804
Amount of fees earned by Officers . . . . .	\$825 50
Amount of stolen property recovered . . . . .	46,429 64
Amount of fines imposed by the court . . . . .	1,714 00
No. of years of imprisonment imposed by court . . . . .	192 $\frac{3}{2}$

## REGULATION OF STREET CARS.

Sergeant Warren and his squad have, during the year, performed their duties in the usual satisfactory manner. The number of cars run in the streets have increased materially, and the duties of the officers have increased correspondingly.

## STREET RAILWAY LICENSES.

Not previously accounted for . . . . .	2,419
Number of street-railway licenses granted since Dec. 1, 1882 . . . . .	656
Number of street-railway licenses cancelled and surrendered . . . . .	1,012
Number of street-railway licenses renewed . . . . .	10
Total number of fees . . . . .	\$768 75
Private detective licenses granted . . . . .	4
Not previously accounted for . . . . .	2
Amount of fees . . . . .	\$60 00

## THE GOLDTHWAIT DEFALCATION.

The attention of this Board was first called to the account of Francis J. Goldthwait by a variance in the Annual Report of this Board for 1881 and 1882, in which said Goldthwait reported that he had received from Street Railway Licenses the sum of one hundred and forty-six and  $\frac{50}{100}$  dollars (\$146.50), which amount, whether correct or not, should have been paid to the City Collector and should have appeared in the Auditor's Report, in which no mention was made of the sum as stated in our report. An investigation proved that Mr. Goldthwait had, from the first month of his appointment up to the discovery of this discrepancy in his accounts, appropriated to his own use, at sundry and various times, sums to the total amount of \$775.75. On being charged with the defalcation he admitted his guilt, refunded the money, and was immediately discharged. The entries covering this matter are on pages 13 and 18.

## PENSIONS.

During the year four pensioners have died, ten have been placed on the pension-list, making the total number of pensioners, including Enos Wasgatt, who receives \$3 per day, and Samuel B. Ross, who receives \$1.50 per day, by special votes of the City Council, sixty-three, necessitating an annual expenditure of \$24,089.99. The Commission, as to pensions, have followed out the principles laid down in previous reports, and pensioned officers only in cases where there have been long and meritorious services, or where the person pensioned has been disabled by extraordinary causes out of the common line of his duty. It will be seen that the amount paid for pensions increases, and there now being no relief fund from which any of it can be drawn, it must be paid out of the general appropriation each year.

The pension roll now stands as follows : —

## PENSIONED OFFICERS.

Name.	Position.	Age.	Years of Service.	Amount of Pension.	Date of Retirement.	Remarks.
Adams, James . . . . .	Patrolman, Lieut., Sergt. .	64	30 years . . . . .	\$203 00	Oct. 18, 1878.	Permanently incapacitated for duty.
Adams, Thomas S. . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	62	23 years . . . . .	365 00	Oct. 18, 1878.	" " " "
Alken, Jonathan . . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	68	24 years . . . . .	365 00	Oct. 18, 1878.	" " " "
Bean, Russell T. . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	50	13 years . . . . .	365 00	Oct. 18, 1878.	Disabled while in actual performance of duty.
Beemer, Lewis W. . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	54	15 years . . . . .	365 00	April 7, 1883.	Permanently incapacitated for duty.
Brackett, Joseph . . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	50	10 years . . . . .	365 00	Dec. 15, 1881.	" " " "
Brennan, Dennis C. . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	53	17 years . . . . .	365 00	Mar. 17, 1870.	" " " "
Butler, John . . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	50	15 years . . . . .	365 00	Oct. 18, 1878.	" " " "
Capon, Moses L. . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	70	30 years . . . . .	365 00	Oct. 18, 1878.	" " " "
Chadbourne, William . . . . .	Patrolman, Lieut., Capt. .	50	24 years . . . . .	365 00	Oct. 18, 1878.	" " " "
Cobb, Hiram . . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	50	22 years . . . . .	365 00	Oct. 18, 1878.	" " " "
Cook, John L. . . . .	Patrolman, Sergt., Lieut. .	64	37 years . . . . .	365 00	Oct. 18, 1878.	" " " "
Crocker, David P. . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	65	21 years . . . . .	365 00	Oct. 18, 1878.	" " " "
Drake, Amos G. . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	65	17 years . . . . .	365 00	Dec. 15, 1881.	" " " "
Drow, Alfred R. . . . .	Patrolman, Sergt., Lieut. .	50	20 years . . . . .	425 00	Apr. 20, 1883.	" " " "
Dunbar, Abraham M. . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	43	13 years . . . . .	365 00	Oct. 18, 1878.	Disabled while in actual performance of duty.
Emerson, George . . . . .	Patrolman and Sergt. . . .	57	18 years . . . . .	365 00	Oct. 18, 1878.	Permanently incapacitated for duty.
Farrell, John C. . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	41	11 years . . . . .	365 00	Dec. 8, 1882.	" " " "
Fitzgerald, William . . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	60	15 years, 6 mos. . . . .	365 00	Oct. 18, 1878.	" " " "
Folsom, Hawley . . . . .	Patrolman, Sergeant, } Lieutenant and Captain }	60	30 years . . . . .	365 00	Apr. 20, 1882.	" " " "



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## PENSIONED OFFICERS. — Concluded.

Name.	Position.	Age.	Years of Service.	Amount of Pension.	Date of Retirement.	Remarks.
Patterson, James . . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	63	22 years . . . . .	\$65 00	May 17, 1882.	Permanently incapacitated for duty.
Perkine, Henry H. . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	49	17 years . . . . .	\$65 00	Oct. 20, 1881.	" " " "
Perry, John W. . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	61	22 years . . . . .	\$65 00	Apr. 13, 1882.	" " " "
Pronty, Thomas S. . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	67	33 years . . . . .	\$65 00	Oct. 18, 1878.	" " " "
Randall, Reuben S. . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	63	16 years . . . . .	\$65 00	Oct. 29, 1881.	" " " "
Regan, John H. . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	57	10 years . . . . .	\$65 00	Apr. 13, 1882.	" " " "
Robinson, Gilman H. . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	64	10 years . . . . .	\$65 00	Oct. 18, 1878.	" " " "
Savage, John L. . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	49	17 years . . . . .	\$65 00	Oct. 31, 1870.	" " " "
Scott, Jesse D. . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	61	17 years . . . . .	\$65 00	Sept. 20, 1881.	" " " "
Shedd, Jedediah. . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	62	22 years . . . . .	\$65 00	Oct. 18, 1878.	" " " "
Stekacy, William W. . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	58	25 years . . . . .	\$65 00	Oct. 31, 1870.	" " " "
Stone, Charles . . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	70	10 years . . . . .	\$65 00	Sept. 20, 1881.	" " " "
Tarbois, Ephraim . . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	64	10 years . . . . .	\$65 00	Oct. 20, 1881.	" " " "
Thompson, Isaiah P. . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	60	30 years . . . . .	\$65 00	Oct. 18, 1878.	" " " "
Vase, Thomas C. . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	63	16 years . . . . .	\$65 00	Oct. 29, 1881.	" " " "
Walker, Charles A. . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	61	21 years . . . . .	\$65 00	Sept. 20, 1881.	" " " "
Wedger, John B. . . . .	Patrolman, Sergt., Lieut. . . . .	57	17 years . . . . .	\$65 00	Oct. 18, 1878.	" " " "
Weeks, Charles C. . . . .	Patrolman . . . . .	33	8 years . . . . .	\$65 00	Oct. 18, 1878.	Disabled while in actual performance of duty.

Enos Waskett, who receives \$3.00 per day, by vote of City Council of 1898, disabled in actual performance of duty.

Samuel B. Ross, " 1.50 " " 1871.

In the judgment of the Board Enos Wasgatt, who receives \$3.00 per day, and Samuel B. Ross, who receives \$1.50 per day, should be taken from the active list and placed on the general or special pension-roll, as, in the judgment of the City Council, may be deemed most expedient.

#### SALE OF INTOXICATING LIQUORS.

The number of licenses granted between May 1, 1882, and May 1, 1883, is as follows:—

1st class, innholders	56
1st class, victuallers	1,430
2d class	62
4th class, druggists	4
“ grocers	301
“ wholesale dealers, A	80
“ “ “ B	19
“ “ “ C	41
“ distillers	3
5th class, dealers	382
“ wholesale dealers	7
“ brewers, A	6
“ “ B	7
“ “ C	3
6th class, druggists	213
Total number of licenses issued during the year	2,614
Total number of licenses issued during the year to persons to sell liquor to be drunk on the premises	1,548

Of this number 14 have been forfeited.

Leaving the total number of places authorized to sell liquor to be drunk on the premises	1,534
Total number of licenses issued during the year to persons to sell liquor not to be drunk on the premises	1,066

Of this number 7 have been forfeited.

Leaving the total number of places authorized to sell liquor not to be drunk on the premises	1,059
Total number of liquor licenses forfeited	21
Number of places holding two licenses	84
Number of licenses not in use, the licensees having abandoned the business	17
Number of licenses transferred during the year from one place to another	104

Total number of licenses in force May 1, 1883 .	2,593
Total number of licenses issued during the year 1882 .	2,614
Number of complaints against unlicensed places,	2
Number of complaints for violation of the conditions of their licenses .	93
Number of hearings called on complaints against licensees .	93
Number of seizures made .	147
Amount of liquor seized (galls.) .	3,088
Arrests for selling without license .	204
Amount of fines imposed .	\$4,842 00
Amount paid into City Treasury for licenses and fees for the license year 1882-83 .	\$279,813 00
Expenses on account of enforcement of license law (including pay-roll of police officers specially detailed for the purpose and keeper of liquor storehouse) .	\$27,537 67
Amount paid by the City of Boston to the State of Massachusetts, as by statute provided, for the year 1882-83 .	\$69,922 00

It will be seen by examination that while the income from licenses has increased over the previous year \$23,358.00, the expenses on account of the enforcement of the license law have been reduced \$3,824.12. Showing a net increase over the previous year, from licenses, of \$27,182.12.

The screen law has been thoroughly enforced during the past year, and the Board caused to be closed permanently all entrances to the licensed premises other than those from the public streets (when practical), and in consequence the arrests for drunkenness on Sunday have been reduced 34½ per cent., and the sale to minors has almost entirely ceased.

And in this the department has been materially aided by the cordial coöperation and good-will of the Executive Committee of the Massachusetts Wine and Spirit Dealers' Association, the Brewers' Association, and other bodies of citizens organized for the better enforcement of the laws and the preservation of morality and public order.

There are several changes which could be made in the "Liquor Laws," so called, which would simplify matters and render them more effective. The utterly useless routine of compelling the Mayor to sign all the licenses issued by the Board, and which it is believed was the result of an oversight in those who drew up the law and ordinance establishing the Police Commission of Boston, should be abolished, as heretofore recommended, and the licenses should be signed by those granting them.

The only change made in the liquor law during the past year is that recommended in our last report, authorizing the Board to grant licenses for the year beginning May 1st in the months of March and April previous. The law went into operation on the third day of April, and prior to the first of May, this Board had examined and advertised applications, and had granted 1,173 licenses for the ensuing year; and every firm engaged in the wholesale business who had made their application for licenses, had it granted, so that no time intervened between the license which was in force for the year 1882-83, and that granted for 1883-84.

One of the principal difficulties with which the Board has to contend is in the mode in which licenses are granted.

The Board renews the recommendation of last year, that the license to sell intoxicating liquors should not depend either upon an innholder or a common victualler license, but should be independent of each, and only combined when the exigency demands such combination.

Each license should be issued on its merits. The laws regulating the sale of liquor, and the hours in which the traffic could be carried on, might then be absolutely controlled, but when combined as above, it is extremely difficult.

#### STATION-HOUSES.

The several station-houses are in good condition, with the exception of that on Division No. 1, which is poorly ventilated and ill constructed to meet the wants of a station where such a large number of prisoners are to be confined. The Board would recommend the abandonment and sale of this house and the erection of a new building, with modern conveniences, off the main thoroughfare, and believes a sum could be realized from the sale sufficient to meet the expense thereof.

The Board renews its recommendation of 1882, and for the reasons therein set forth, for the necessity of a new police station on the Back Bay.

A glance at the map, we think, will convince the Honorable City Council that the portions of Divisions 3, 4, 5, and 10, lying in that section, cannot be efficiently patrolled, owing to their distance from the station-houses. An officer making an arrest in that section is obliged to travel, in some instances, three miles before he can lodge his prisoner, and during his absence his route is wholly uncovered. The public park lands, on the Back Bay, would be included in this division, and this, coupled with the fact that the population in that portion of the city is rapidly increasing, and

that the citizens domiciled there are constantly requesting better protection for life and property, would seem to us to warrant a prompt and favorable consideration at your hands.

We respectfully call your attention to the telephone and signal telegraph system now in use in several cities; and, so far as we are able to judge from personal observation, together with reports from the cities which have adopted it, we are of the opinion, if introduced, it will be one of the most powerful aids to the department that has yet been devised.

#### AMBULANCES.

The need of some suitable means of properly conveying injured persons to the hospital, or other places where they could receive care and attention, and the fact that the ambulance attached to the City Hospital was so frequently in use when this department was called upon to render aid, led the Board to procure, for the use of the department, two ambulances, which have been built and furnished under the supervision of the City Physician, the first one going into use on the 14th day of April, 1882. They are located so as to be as near as possible to the central divisions, where most frequently required, and that they were needed can be readily seen from the fact that they were used in 509 cases from April 30th, 1882, to April 30th, 1883, inclusive.

Licenses for amusements were on January 30, 1883, by ordinance transferred to the Board of Aldermen.

In conclusion, the Board desires to express its satisfaction as to the condition of the force, and are of the opinion that it will compare favorably with the police department of any city in the country. During the past year the officers and men have cheerfully performed their duty, and, in our opinion, the department is entitled to the respect and confidence of the public.

THOMAS L. JENKS,  
NATHANIEL WALES,  
MICHAEL P. CURRAN.

*Police Commissioners.*











